

Safeguarding Report

Safeguarding Policy

As I have already notified Trustees by email I checked out the phone numbers for reporting Safeguarding Concerns and found that the final '6' was missing.

It should be 0345 050 7666. It is the MASH number.

I have changed it on the Web and in the hall. There is a more local number but it is only available during working hours and I think it is useful for me to have but probable not for the policy.

DBS Checks

DBS checks for Trustees are arranged through an 'Umbrella Body'. www.gov.uk supplies a long list of approved bodies. I was hoping that we might be able to use the same Umbrella Body as the church but it may be that they are registered in their own right. I have emailed Tessa Hall for advice.

I think we might just qualify for DBS checks under the following criteria! Although I think we might have to bend them a little as I believe Table Tennis Club is held fortnightly!

The following activities need to be carried out more than three times in any 30-day period, or at any time between 2am and 6am (with the opportunity for face-to-face contact with children) to be regulated activity with children:

Standard DBS checks cost £23.00 plus £10.00 handling fee and enhanced checks cost £40.00 plus £10.00 handling fee. Although I believe they should be free for Charities but a handling fee may still be charged. I have made preliminary enquiries to Oxfordshire Youth who are on the Government List and seem quite helpful. Tessa Hall suggested 'Adventure Plus' who seem to charge the same amount but a £12.50 handling fee

It would be useful to know who would like to be DBS checked so if I get further with my enquires I could start the process.

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